REMARKS

Claims 3 and 4 are currently pending in the present application, with Claims 1 and 2 being canceled.

The Examiner rejected Claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Basel (U.S. Patent No. 6,341,166) in view of Power et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,839,441). This rejection is moot in view of the canceled claims.

The Examiner had indicated Claims 3 and 4 to be in condition for allowance.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue. If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing Docket No. <u>393032038400</u>.

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